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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director, NPIC

FROM: Deputy Chief, Imagery Analysis Division, CIA

SUBJECT: Role of NPIC in Immediate Exploitation in the Field

The following is a revision of a PAG/IAD memo (PAG/M-918-64) sent to the Executive Director on 15 December 1964 regarding field readouts. I have made certain changes appropos to the times.

Responsibility: The Director, NPIC, shall have the responsibility for staffing overseas exploitation centers on an ad hoc basis as requested by the USIB in support of the National Intelligence effort: The Assistant for Photographic Analysis, NPIC, is responsible to the Director, NPIC, for the production of Photographic Interpretation Reports and the provision of Photographic Interpretation services in support of the director in the field.

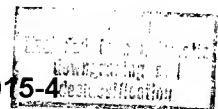
Concept of Operation: The Assistant for Photographic Analysis or his designee is responsible for determining production schedules and procedures of such National Reports and tasks NPIC Support Divisions and appropriate field commands for the type, amount, and timing of support services necessary for the accomplishment of the assigned task.

Basic Considerations: To implement this concept of operation, several considerations should be borne in mind. It is recognized that prerogatives of local command must remain in tact and no intent is made to usurp such prerogatives, however, the following are of prime importance to the effective operation of any overseas reporting concept.

1. A composite team of NPIC personnel [redacted] should form the nucleus of any reporting effort. This team should include: 1 senior NPIC/PAG representative, 1 Deputy PAG representative, 1 CSD representative and the appropriate number of PI's. When required, the Senior PAG representative could request from available field commands additional PI and other support desired.

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2. There should be an adjacent communications facility with access to the Senior PAG representative that provides effective and timely communications support on a priority basis.

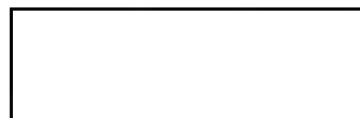
3. There should be an adjacent processing facility in support of the Senior PAG representative in order to insure timely support to the immediate readout process.

4. Local commander is responsible for providing adequate administrative and logistical support as required by the Senior PAG representative.

5. Any direction of the Senior representative in the form of requirements or procedures will emanate from or through the Director, WPIC.

6. Priority of the national effort is foremost in the event of conflict between immediate readout and local requirement.

7. The degree of sophistication in field exploitation procedures should always be minimized. However, consideration should be given immediately to development of such hardware as is currently necessary to insure a capability to deploy to any location and in addition research inaugurated for long range planning on a self-sufficient integrated processing, readout and communications system.



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